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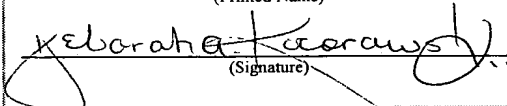
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Reply in the above-identified patent application.

[X] Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 (7 pages).

[X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

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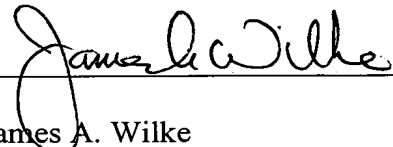
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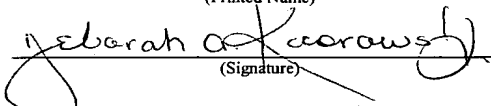
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

This communication is responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 26, 2005, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: